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Respectfully,  
 J. C. PERRY,  
*Passed Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.,  
 Chief Quarantine Officer for the Philippine Islands.*  
 The SURGEON-GENERAL,  
*U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.*

[Inclosures.]

MANILA, P. I., March 16, 1902.

KERR, *Hongkong*: Notify agents vessels Hongkong detained in quarantine Marivales complete five days.

J. C. PERRY,  
*Passed Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.,  
 Chief Quarantine Officer for the Philippine Islands.*

MANILA, P. I., March 16, 1902.

KERR, *Hongkong*: Bill of health shows cholera 8. Inquire fully about cholera Hongkong and wire me here. Manila can not take any risk. If prospects bad will quarantine.

J. C. PERRY,  
*Passed Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.,  
 Chief Quarantine Officer for the Philippine Islands.*

HONGKONG, March 16, 1902.

PERRY, *Manila*: Hongkong has developed 12 cases of cholera since March 8. Prospects bad. Seven foreign deaths Canton. Expect there will be further spread.—  
 KERR.

MANILA, P. I., March 17, 1902.<sup>1</sup>

SIRS: In view of the fact that 12 cases of cholera have occurred in Hongkong since the 12th instant and a further spread of the disease is expected, I have the honor to inform you that all vessels arriving from Hongkong will be quarantined upon arrival at ports in the Philippine Islands for a sufficient period of time to complete five days from date of sailing. You will please notify your agents in Hongkong that all vessels for Manila must call at Marivales for this detention.

Vessels for Australian ports taking passengers in Hongkong, making Manila a port of call, are subject to the same regulations.

You are also informed that articles of merchandise that can not be certified to by Dr. Kerr, in Hongkong, if brought, can not be landed and will be returned to Hongkong.

Respectfully,  
 J. C. PERRY,  
*Passed Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.,  
 Chief Quarantine Officer for the Philippine Islands.*  
 STEAMSHIP AGENTS, Manila, P. I.

### *Quarantine transactions during February, 1902.*

MANILA, P. I., March 18, 1902.

SIR: I have the honor to hereby submit report of the quarantine transactions of the quarantine service for the Philippine Islands for the month of February, 1902, as follows:

#### PORT OF MANILA.

Bills of health issued—	
To United States ports .....	9
To foreign ports .....	52
To domestic ports.....	211
Total.....	272

Number of vessels inspected—	
From foreign ports.....	50
From domestic ports .....	224
Total.....	274
Number of passengers inspected—	
Cabin.....	1, 008
Steerage .....	6, 963
Total.....	7, 971
Number of crew inspected.....	9, 174
Number persons quarantined for observation.....	7
Number persons bathed and effects disinfected.....	1, 001
Number of persons detained at quarantine station.....	1, 032
Number of persons vaccinated—	
Crew .....	537
Passengers .....	279
Total.....	816
Number of infected vessels disinfected.....	2
Number of vessels disinfected for killing rats..	19
Number of pieces of baggage disinfected and so labeled .....	5, 828
Number of pieces of baggage inspected and passed.....	1, 961

## PORT OF CEBU.

Number of bills of health issued.....	2
Number of vessels inspected—	
From foreign ports.....	3
From domestic ports .....	67
Total.....	70
Number of passengers inspected—	
Cabin .....	173
Steerage .....	1, 468
Total.....	1, 641
Number of crew inspected .....	2, 943

## PORT OF ILOILO.

Number of bills of health issued .....	3
Number of vessels inspected—	
From foreign ports.....	7
From domestic ports .....	22
Total .....	29
Number of passengers inspected—	
Cabin.....	146
Steerage .....	754
Total.....	900
Number of crew inspected.....	1, 577

Respectfully,

J. C. PERRY,

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